

# CHRISTMAS

Will soon come and you are still in doubt as to what to buy for your husband, wife or children, brother, sister, sweetheart or friend. Now if you will come in and tell us your troubles we will guarantee that you won't leave our store troubled, for we have suitable presents for everyone and the beauty of it all is they are useful. They are going out fast and if you don't come soon you may fail to get just what you want.



## Santa Claus Headquarters at our Store

This year, and wants you to leave orders with us for he says we have the nicest line he has looked at.

Yours for Santa,

## FRAZEE HARDWARE & FURNITURE COMPANY.

### THE DAILY CHIEFTAIN

One a Week by Carrier.  
40c a Month by Mail.  
D. M. MARSH, - - EDITOR.  
VINITA, IND. TER., DEC. 18.  
Official Paper of the City.

Muskogee is endeavoring to offset the loss of the Dawes Commission pay roll by building a cotton compress.

The United States Senate has agreed that there will be no farther debate on the statehood bill until January 5th.

A new sidewalk should be built at once from the business part of the city to the land office—this is a matter of business.

The Vinita Leader this week issued a thirty-six page Christmas edition, nicely printed and well edited. It is a splendid advertisement, not only of the town but of the enterprise of the publication.

There are more and better Christmas bargains offered by Vinita merchants this season than ever before. A glance at the advertisements in the Daily and Weekly Chieftain will convince any one who is skeptical.

Don't forget the election of school directors Saturday. This is the most important election we have. We are spending more money on our schools than on all else combined. We have recently bonded the town in the sum of \$12,000 for school purposes and of our ten mill tax, six mills goes for the schools.

Some one says that "labor was the stamp of a slave in antiquity, the mark of a serf in the middle ages, but the glory of a man of our day." In this modern idea of labor we are getting back to "the good old days of Adam and Eve." They were not placed in the garden to lounge under its trees, but "to dress it and to keep it." Milton thus reports Adam's evening address to his wife:

Fair consort, the hour  
Of night, and all things now retired  
To rest,  
Mind us of like repose, since God  
hath set  
Labor and rest, as day and night, to  
men  
Successive; and the timely dew of  
sleep,  
Now falling with soft slumbrous  
weight, inclines  
Our eyelids. Other creatures all day  
long  
Bove idle, unemployed, and need less  
rest;  
Man hath his daily work of body or  
mind  
Appointed, which declares his dignity  
And the regard of heaven on all his  
ways;  
While other animals, unactive range,  
And of their doings God takes no account.

Foley's Honey and Tar  
for children, safe, sure. No opiates.  
Sold by People's drug store.

The statement that if the Indian territory don't get statehood now that it may be left out ten years is hardly in the bounds of reason. The trend of events now is that statehood will come for the simple reason that agitation will go on until it is accomplished. The statehood fight will go on until the territory becomes a state.

The people of Vinita should be thankful that they are so well situated, when their condition is contrasted with people in many parts of the east. The spectacle of child labor, unrequited, and pinched by cold and hunger. In this great west there is work for all at living wages, and a coal famine of long duration is impossible. It is a great privilege to live in this magnificent country.

### INVENTOR OF THE BATON.

How It Caused the Death of the Man Who First Introduced the Band Leader's Wand.

The inventor of the baton has been discovered. According to the investigations of a Frenchman the credit belongs to Lully, the composer, who eventually had cause to regret his invention.

Before he adopted the baton, conductors were in the habit of pounding on the floor with their feet or clapping their hands to mark the time. Lully found it wearisome to keep his foot constantly in motion, and so used a stick to strike the floor and beat time. He used a pole six feet long.

One day he brought down the pole with such force that it struck his foot and made a deep wound. He paid no attention to the matter. The wound grew worse and ultimately caused his death.

After his time conductors tried more and more to improve the baton and it was ultimately brought to its present form.

### Tall Men in Indiana.

A record of the height of Indiana soldiers in the civil war shows that out of 118,254 there were 15,047 5 feet 10 inches high, 8,706 5 feet 11 inches, 6,679 6 feet high, 2,614 6 feet 1 inch, 1,357 6 feet 2 inches, 406 6 feet 3 inches, and 336 over 6 feet 3 inches. Commenting on these statistics, Dr. Gould, secretary of the United States sanitary commission, writes: "It is evident from our statistics that the Indiana men are the tallest of all natives of the United States and these latter the tallest of all civilized countries."

### Advertisement for Proposals for United States Jails, Indian Territory

Proposals are invited for the construction and completion of United States jail buildings in the Indian Territory, one each at Vinita, south McAlester, Ardmore and Muskogee, in the Northern, Central, Southern and Western districts, respectively, of the Indian Territory. The form in which the proposals are desired may be ascertained by calling upon the United States marshal at any of the above-named places, and which provide:

- (1) For furnishing and erecting complete four jail buildings, one each at the above places named, except the steel and iron work, etc.;
- (2) For furnishing and erecting in position the steel and iron work;
- (3) For furnishing and erecting complete the entire four buildings, including steel and iron work;
- (4) For furnishing and erecting complete any one of the four buildings, except the steel and iron work.

Plans and specifications for the entire work may be had on application to the general agent, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., or to the United States marshal at any one of the above-named places. Proposals must be addressed to the Attorney-General, Washington, D. C., up to noon of Monday, December 22, 1902, at which time they will be opened. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved.

### Saved At Grave's Brink.

"I know I would long ago have been in my grave," writes Mrs. S. H. Newsum, of Decatur, Ala., "if it had not been for Electric Bitters. For three years I suffered untold agony from the worst forms of indigestion, water-brush, stomach and bowel dyspepsia. But this excellent medicine did me a world of good. Since using it I can eat heartily and have gained 35 pounds." For indigestion, loss of appetite, stomach, liver and kidney troubles Electric Bitters are a positive guaranteed cure. Only 50c at People's and A. W. Foreman's drug stores. dw

### Boy's Life Saved From Membranous Croup.

O. W. Lynch, a prominent citizen of Winchester, Ind., writes, "My little boy had a severe attack of membranous croup, and only got relief after taking Foley's Honey and Tar. He got relief after one dose and I feel that it saved the life of my boy." Refuse substitutes. Sold by People's drug store. dw

### Report from the Reform School.

J. G. Gluck, Superintendent, Pruntytown, W. Va., writes: "After trying all other advertised enough medicines we have decided to use Foley's Honey and Tar exclusively in the West Virginia Reform School. I find it the most effective and absolutely harmless." Sold by People's drug store. dw

### Holiday Excursion Rates.

On December 24th, 25th and 31st, 1902, and January 1, 1903, the M. K. & T. Railway will sell Holiday Excursion tickets to local points within two hundred miles of selling station for one fare for the round trip, final limit January 2, 1903.

### He Found a Cure.

R. H. Foster, 318 S. 2d Street, Salt Lake City, writes: "I have been bothered with dyspepsia or indigestion for 21 years, have tried many doctors without relief, but I have found a cure in Herbine. I recommend it to all my friends, who are afflicted that way, and it is curing them too." 50c at People's drug store. dw

### To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c. dw

Spend Christmas holidays with kin and friends in the old States. Only one fare, plus \$2.00, for the round trip by the "Rock Island System," Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf R. R. Tickets will be limited 30 days from date of sale.

Hot drinks are now served at the Silver Moon Restaurant, chicken bouillon, tomato soup, hot chocolate ginger cordial, and many others too numerous to mention. Finest line of Christmas candies in town. 601

### KIDNEY DISEASES

are the most fatal of all diseases.

### FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE is a Guaranteed Remedy

or money refunded. Contains remedies recognized by eminent physicians as the best for Kidney and Bladder troubles. PRICE 50c and \$1.00.

At People's Drug Store.

## Pick The Winner

Of the many contestants for The Golden Rule prizes. The judges will have a hard time to choose. Here are a few more letters. Who do think is entitled to the \$5.00 in gold.

Adair, I. T., Dec 9, 1902.  
Dear Santa Claus—I would like to have a story book to read, a little set of dishes to play with and to set my doll's table, a large doll with long, curly hair, to play with, a ring to wear on my finger, a pair of skates for Maud, a pair of gloves for mamma, and some candy and oranges.  
LEILA CUMMING, age 11 years.

Carthage, Mo., Dec 13, 1902.  
Dear Old Santa Claus—I once lived in Vinita, tho' I was not near so large then as I am now. I am ten years old and a pretty good sized boy for that age. I am in the fourth grade and I have some good old times with some of my schoolmates who think that they can lick any new boy who comes to town. I want you to know that I can hold the fort. I like to go to school first-rate. I believe that of all things that I would like most this Christmas would be a pair of leather leggings, and I think I am pretty sure to get them. Well, I do hope that all little children, both rich and poor, may be well remembered this Christmas. Give my love to my little Cherokee niece, little Miriam Louise Harlin. Hoping soon to hear from The Golden Rule, with five golden dollars, I am  
P. POLLARD HILL.

Vinita, I. T., Dec 13, 1902.  
Dear Old Santa Claus—Remember The Golden Rule store, where you get your money's worth, and bring me whatever you think I deserve; I am out of everything. You will find my "Golden Rule" box, after hard year's wear, on the same old chair.  
Lovingly, BENNIE HARKRIDER

Vinita, I. T., Dec 15, 1902.  
Dear Santa Claus—I thought I would write to you this morning. My name is Claude Thompson and I live at No. 6, South Smith street. Now, Santa, I want you to bring me a battle-ship. My big brothers are on one and I want to see one and learn how they are made, and when I get old enough I will go to where they are; and I would like to have a train, too. Now, dear Santa, you must remember the poor children, too, for they will want to get something. I am eight years old.  
CLAUDE THOMPSON.

Vinita, I. T., Dec 15, 1902.  
Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a pair of gloves and a pair of rubbers. I have two sisters and three brothers. Allie, my little sister, wants a set of dishes and a doll; Alma wants a doll and a pair of gloves; Jeff wants a pair of skates and my brother next to Jeff wants a cap. I am eight years old. I live about three miles from town and attend school in town. Please don't forget me. I live in a white house on a hill. You can look in the crib and get your reminders some corn while you come on. I will have a hot fire for you because I know you will be cold. My sister is sick and mamma cannot come to town to get these things.  
MARY WOODALL.

Vinita, I. T., Dec 17, 1902.  
Dear Santa Claus—Will you bring me a little pair of goats and little clay wagon, also an air gun and a story book.  
OSCAR JONES

## Misses' Jackets.

Nothing more pleasing to the girls than a nice jacket. For the days we offer

Misses' long cloaks with wide capes, handsomely trimmed; in red and tan: sizes 8 to 14; regular price, 3.95, holiday price \$3.19

Misses long jackets, good Kersey cloth; in red, blue tan, and brown: sizes 6 to 14; regular price \$5. Now, \$3.99

Misses' 6.75 Jackets—Holiday price \$5.19

Misses' 7.50 Jackets—Holiday price \$5.99

Misses' 8.75 Jackets—Holiday price, \$7.24

Childrens' Reefers, 99c and up.

## The Golden Rule

The Store Where a Dollar Goes the Farthest.